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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action dated June 22, 2005, applicants elect the invention of Group IV, claims 53-60, drawn to methods of treating an individual with AIDS or inducing an immune response against HIV or an HIV epitope in a vertebrate mammal. The election is made without traverse.

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